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SUBJ: GOVERNMENT ASSEMBLYMAN'S COMMENTS ON EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF, REVITALIZATION GROUP (RG) NATIONAL ASSEMBLYMAN KIM SONG-DU DEFENDED PRESIDENT'S EMERGENCY MEASURES AS NECESSARY GIVEN DIRECTION OF DOMESTIC EVENTS. KIM BELIEVED THAT FVD GOVERNMENT TO DELAY ACTION UNTIL SPRING WOULD HAVE INVITED MAJOR CONFRONTATION WITH DISSIDENTS ENDING INEVITABLY IN TURMOIL AND FULL SCALE MARTIAL LAW.

2. ACCORDING KIM, GOVERNMENT LEADERS HAVE TOLD RG NATIONAL ASSEMBLYMEN EMERGENCY MEASURES ARE TARGETED ONLY AT MORE RADICAL CRITICS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT DRIVE, NOT GENERAL PUBLIC OR OTHERS.

3. KIM SAID SPECIAL NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SESSION TO DEBATE EMERGENCY MEASURES AS DEMANDED BY OPPOSITION WAS TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE TO GOVERNMENT PARTIES AND HAD BEEN REJECTED. HE THOUGHT ASSEMBLY MIGHT MEET IN FEBRUARY OR MARCH, BUT NOT TO DEBATE THESE MEASURES.

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